

25th January 1928]

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| 1. The hon. Sir C. P. Ramaswami Ayyar. | 16. Rao Bahadur O. M. Narayanan |
| 2. " Sir Norman Marjoribanks. | Nambudripad. |
| 3. " Khan Bahadur Muhammad Usman Sahib Bahadur. | 17. Mr. N. Siya Raj. |
| 4. Mr. T. E. Moir. | 18. " M. V. Gangadhara Siva. |
| 5. Mr. T. R. Venkatarama Sastry. | 19. Rao Sahib L. C. Guruswami. |
| 6. " E. B. Evans. | 20. Mr. V. I. Muniswami Pillai. |
| 7. " H. A. Watson. | 21. " K. Krishnan. |
| 8. " G. T. Boag. | 22. " C. E. Wood. |
| 9. " A. M. C. Tamboo. | 23. " J. Mackenzie Smith. |
| 10. " S. H. Slater. | 24. " G. W. Chambers. |
| 11. " P. J. Ganavaram Pillai. | 25. " H. E. P. Hearscn. |
| 12. " R. Foukes. | 26. " S. N. Dorai Raja. |
| 13. Abdul Wahab Sahib Bahadur. | 27. " G. R. Premayya. |
| 14. Mr. V. Ch. John. | 28. Swami A. S. Sahajanandam. |
| 15. " Muppil Nayar. | 29. Rao Sahib R. Srinivasan. |

Neutral.

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| 1. The hon Diwan Bahadur R. N. Arogya-swami Mudaliyar. | 8. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. Patro. |
| 2. " Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar. | 9. Diwan Bahadur M. Krishnan Nayar. |
| 3. The Zamindar of Seithur. | 10. Khan Bahadur S. K. Abdul Razack Sahib Bahadur. |
| 4. Mr. J. Bheemayya. | 11. Muhammad Khadir Mohidin Sahib Bahadur. |
| 5. " S. Venkayya. | |
| 6. K. Abdul Hye Sahib Bahadur. | |
| 7. The Raja of Panagal | 12. T. M. Moidoo Sahib Bahadur. |

Ayes 61. Noes 29. Neutral 12.

The motion was carried.

The result of the division was announced amidst cries of Bande Mataram by the Swarajists.

* The hon. the PRESIDENT :—“I was under the impression that Sir A. P. Patro challenged my original decision. But I find that at the division he remained neutral.”

Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. PATRO :—“I did not ask for a division, Sir.”

* The hon. the PRESIDENT :—“The House will now adjourn and meet again at 11 o’clock on Monday the 27th February. I may inform hon. Members that the 27th February has been allotted by His Excellency for the business of non-official Members. There will be another day for non-official business in March. The programme of dates for discussion of the Budget is as follows:—

Presentation of Budget—Tuesday, the 28th February 1928.

General discussion of the Budget—1st, 2nd and 3rd March 1928.

Voting of Budget grants begins on 14th March.

“Intimation will be sent by the Secretary in due course as to the exact dates allotted for the voting of Budget grants and further grants and for the transaction of non-official business in March.”

R. V. KRISHNA AYYAR,
Secretary to the Legislative Council.

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APPENDIX I.

[Vide answer to question No. 1405 asked by Mr. C. Ramasomayajulu at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 25th January 1928, page 235 supra.]

Report from the Superintending Engineer, Waltair Circle, Vizagapatam, dated the 6th January 1928, No. 11 L.F. 15/G.L.

[Legislative Council—Question No. 1405—Meeting of January 1928—Irrigation—Godavari delta—Canals and channels.]

(a) F.S.L. is maintained in all canals always except when the supply in the river is low or when owing to very heavy rains in the delta water is not required for irrigation or when there is necessity to close the head-sl uices in order to open the undersluices. In all these cases the supply in the branch channels is regulated to the same duty at which the main head-sl uice is working. Unless the branch channels are worked to the same duty as the main canal the supply will not be uniform and equitable throughout the delta. Further if the branch channels are worked to a lower duty than the main canal, the result will be that the branches in the upper reaches will get good supply while the branches in the lower reaches of the main canal will receive little or no supply. It is therefore desirable and necessary that, when supply in the main canal is for any reason reduced, the supply in the branches also should be correspondingly reduced.

(b) The best way of securing reduction in the main canals is by lowering the head-sl uice and reducing the supply from the river. The other way of reducing the supply in the main canal is to open the surplus sl uices and also to send increased supplies through the branches. A reduction in the supply of the main canal is not secured by a reduction in the supply to branch channels ; this will only increase the supply in main canals and not reduce it.

(c) Reduction in supply to the branch channels when supply is available and water is necessary is undoubtedly injurious to the lands, but the supply in the branches is always regulated to the same duty as in the main canals and the supply is reduced only when water is not required for irrigation as for example in the month of December when harvesting is in progress or when owing to heavy rains no water is required for the fields.

(d) The supply in branches is not reduced except when absolutely necessary.

APPENDIX II.

[Vide answer to question No. 1406 asked by Mr. C. Ramasomayajulu at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 25th January 1928, page 235 supra.]

Letter from the Superintending Engineer, Waltair Circle, to the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, dated the 25th October 1927, No. 449 I.

[Girder bridge on East Yeleru drain near Cocanada—Reconstruction—Legislative Council Question No. 229—Mr. C. Ramasomayajulu.]

I have the honour to forward herewith a sketch showing the course of the East Yeleru drain and the bridge in question,

2. This is a girder bridge of one span of 60 feet constructed by the Local Fund department (vide G.O. No. 2951 W., dated 17th October 1896) and is now also in charge of that department.